

Maine Revised Statutes

Title 12: CONSERVATION

Chapter 915: HUNTING: SEASONS, REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

§11303. HUNTING BEAR NEAR DUMPS

1. Dump demarcation. The commissioner, or the commissioner's agent, shall establish a line of demarcation at least 500 yards from sites permitted or licensed for the disposal of solid waste.

[2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §159 (AMD); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

2. Prohibition. A person may not within the area described in subsection 1:

A. Hunt bear; [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

B. Trap bear; [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

C. Molest or harass a bear; or [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

D. Release dogs for the purpose of hunting a bear. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

The commissioner, or the commissioner's agent, is exempt from this prohibition for the purpose of live-trapping nuisance bears.

[2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (RPR) .]

3. Penalties. The following penalties apply to violations of this section.

A. A person who violates subsection 2 commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

B. A person who violates subsection 2 after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §160 (NEW); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

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SECTION HISTORY

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